

MS AF
REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
EXAMINING GROUP

AP
IP

AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Docket No.
0505-0840P

Application No.	Filing Date	Examiner	Art Unit
09/891,367-Conf. #2385	June 27, 2001	A. J. Rudy	3627

Applicant(s): Masakatsu SHIMIZU et al.

Invention: METHOD OF AND APPARATUS FOR ESTIMATING PRODUCT COST

MS AF
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below.

CLAIMS AS AMENDED					
	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest Number Previously Paid	Number Extra Claims Present	Rate	
Total Claims	14	- 20 =	0	x 50.00	0.00
Independent Claims	2	- 3 =	0	x 200.00	0.00
Multiple Dependent Claims (check if applicable)					<input type="checkbox"/>
Other fee (please specify):					
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT:					0.00

Large Entity

Small Entity

No additional fee is required for this amendment.

Please charge Deposit Account No. _____ in the amount of \$ _____.
A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

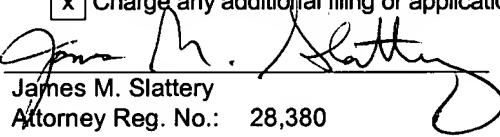
A check in the amount of \$ _____ is enclosed.

Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.

The Director is hereby authorized to charge and credit Deposit Account No. 02-2448
as described below. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Credit any overpayment.

Charge any additional filing or application processing fees required under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17.


James M. Slattery
Attorney Reg. No.: 28,380

Dated: August 14, 2007

BIRCH, STEWART, KOLASCH & BIRCH, LLP
8110 Gatehouse Road
Suite 100 East
P.O. Box 747
Falls Church, Virginia 22040-0747
(703) 205-8000



Docket No.: 0505-0840P
(PATENT)

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of:
Masakatsu SHIMIZU et al.

Application No.: 09/891,367

Confirmation No.: 2385

Filed: June 27, 2001

Art Unit: 3627

For: **METHOD OF AND APPARATUS FOR
ESTIMATING PRODUCT COST**

Examiner: A. J. Rudy

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116

MS AF
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action mailed May 14, 2007, the following remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 9 of this paper.